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"When you know better, you do better." Maya Angelou

Important Information To Remember!

- ✓ **Distribute the boater kits in a responsible way!** You are responsible for the kits you ordered and received.
- ✓ Conduct education and collect the Boater Survey before releasing the Boater Kit!
- ✓ **Do not help boaters answering the questionnaire.** After collecting the questionnaire, go over it. Provide the boater with the correct responses. Show the boaters the items from the kit that teach him/her the correct response. **DO NOT CHANGE THE RESPONSES or double mark the questionnaire!**
- ✓ Send in your completed 2019 Boater Questionnaires by OCTOBER 28th, 2019! Either mail them to the address found on the back of the questionnaire, fax them to (415) 904-5216, OR scan and email them to vmatuk@coastal.ca.gov. Please be sure to recycle the questionnaires if the physical copies are not sent to Vivian.









Dockwalker Highlights

Meet Andrew Le & the Orange County Conservation Corps Team!

Andrew and his team participated in the Newport Harbor Clean Up in May. They identified face-to-face outreach as extremely vital in passing out the kits and obtaining a completed questionnaire.

"Protecting our waterways is critical to maintaining a safe and healthy environment. Whether you're sailing the seas or sunning on the beach, we all have a responsibility to eliminate pollution. The Dockwalker Program allows us to interact face-to-face with our community while providing educational services and tools that promote clean waterways." - Andrew



Meet Mike Jian and Kaitlin Evans with Solano Resource Conservation District!

Mike and Kaitlin are both dedicated students at CSU Fresno and CSU Sacramento, respectively. They began Dockwalking at Lake Berryessa in late May, covering all major boat launches in the area. They educate boaters on oil recycling and proper disposal of oil absorbents, as well as, informing boaters about the importance of Lake

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Berryessa as a drinking water source. Bilgee the Bilge Pad, the Lake Berryessa Protector of Clean Waterways accompanies them on their visits to Oak Shores.

"Education is a vital part in creating love and pride in the environment. By understanding how we effect the environment; we can better understand how to protect it. Wor-



king with the Dockwalking program allows us to provide amazing information to the public in a useful and succinct way. The Boater Kits are always a huge hit with new and returning boaters alike." – Kaitlin Evans

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Meet Tyler Van Son and Angel Araiza with Coyote Point Yacht Harbor!

Tyler and his colleagues Angel Araiza and Ed Degliantoni work with Coyote Point Yacht Harbor. They were trained to be Dockwalkers in July 2019. Tyler has been conducting face-to-face education among his Harbor tenants. He shared the following information: "We have distributed around 30 boater kits in total since having the training. Boaters have been ecstatic for free cleaning supplies to keep their boats free of oil. It has also



been interesting to test boaters knowledge and educating them. Using the Dockwalker program we have been able to better protect our marina while also connecting with boat owners in a unique way. It has increased the knowledge not only of the staff but also the boat owner."



Meet Tiffany Dinkins and the Civicorps team!

Tiffany and her team have been conducting face-to-face education at the Berkeley Marina. They have shared clean boating information with boaters. Tiffany commented, "We covered fuel bibs and oil absorbers that the boaters can use to keep spills from going into the water. We covered the hazardous waste locations boaters can go to when disposing of used materials and we covered the surveys with boaters to make sure they are aware of the laws and emergency contact numbers when accidents arise."

Share your Dockwalking Experience via this Newsletter

We want to highlight your efforts with other Partner Dockwalkers!

Please **share your experience as a Dockwalker with other Partners.** Contact Vivian Matuk (<u>vmatuk@coastal.ca.gov</u>) and send her a short summary of your experience so far! Have photos? That's even better, please send them our way!

Learn about what other Dockwalkers are saying about the Program by checking out some of their great videos.